MEASURING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION
“Sound measurement is crucial for better policies in science, technology and innovation. Experimentation with metrics based on new tools and data, or new ways of using existing data, are needed to provide insights into emerging areas of policy interest, provoke debate and move the measurement agenda forward.”

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www.oecd.org/sti
Measuring R&D – in a way that makes the data internationally comparable – is not an easy task; that’s why the OECD Frascati Manual was first developed in 1963. Nowadays, this international standard is the basis of R&D statistics in OECD countries and beyond. It also underpins the definition of R&D used in accounting standards and in the UN System of National Accounts. The Frascati definition of R&D is widely used for policy purposes, too.

The OECD National Experts on Science and Technology Indicators (NESTI) recently oversaw the 6th revision of the Frascati Manual – improving its clarity and enhancing its relevance through greater compatibility with other statistics and new statistical guidance on R&D tax incentives and globalisation.

The OECD Research & Development Statistics (RDS) database, released annually in March-April, offers data exploration and extraction for analysis covering OECD members and other major economies fulfilling the standards of the OECD Frascati Manual: R&D spending and funding; R&D personnel numbers, qualifications, and gender; government budgets for R&D; and historical OECD R&D data (1962-80).

The OECD Analytical Business Enterprise Research & Development (ANBERD) database builds upon RDS to give industry-level insights on R&D through detailed breakdowns covering both services and manufacturing.

The biannual OECD Main Science and Technology Indicators (MSTI) series presents a wide range of timely reference indicators used by policymakers and economic analysts. These cover the financial and human resources devoted to R&D since 1981 – alongside complementary indicators on patents and international aspects of science and technology.

**What do we mean by R&D?**

R&D comprises basic research (aimed at creating new knowledge with no specific application in view), applied research (new knowledge towards a specific practical aim) and experimental development (to develop new products or processes).
Researchers and R&D spending, 2014

According to OECD RDS historical data, in the 1960s nearly 70% of all business R&D in the largest OECD countries was directly funded by government. This figure is now close to 10%.

Did you know...?

Find out more:
RDS – http://oe.cd/rds
ANBERD – http://oe.cd/anberd
MSTI – http://oe.cd/msti

Sources: OECD Main Science and Technology Indicators (MSTI); UNESCO Institute for Statistics, July 2016.
Digital readiness

ICT INFRASTRUCTURE

The OECD collects information and communication technology (ICT) infrastructure statistics to analyse the sector’s development and to help policy makers in selecting best practices. Most OECD countries put national digital strategies high on their agendas in order to promote the development of telecommunication infrastructure and services. It is a priority for the OECD to monitor these objectives, which include: increased broadband capacity and speed; increased broadband coverage to better connect remote areas; and improved resilience of existing broadband infrastructure.

Main trends in communication policy and regulation as well as in communication markets, prices, broadband speeds and network development analysis are included in the Digital Economy Outlook (DEO).

Find out more:
OECD Broadband Portal – http://oe.cd/broadband

In 2015, there were more than 100 million SIM cards for machine-to-machine (M2M) usage account for a growing segment of mobile data subscriptions. These devices connect millions of sensors, providing ever-greater amounts of “big data” to facilitate the monitoring of machines, environments and people’s health.


SIM cards for machine-to-machine (M2M) communication in the 26 OECD countries for which data is available.
SKILLS FOR THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

Greater use of digital technologies increases demand for ICT skills. Yet, the proportion of workers using office software (word processors, spreadsheets) daily differs significantly across countries, ranging from 38% in the Netherlands to 18% in Poland.

Data on the frequency of ICT use at work permit the measurement of ICT intensity in different occupations. Women typically use the Internet less than men and their participation in ICT occupations remains low as well (women account for 18% of ICT specialists in OECD countries).

Find out more:
Almost no business today is run without the help of information and communication technologies (ICTs). However, while almost every enterprise has a broadband connection and near eight out of ten a web site, only four out of ten are purchasing online or use social media.

ICTs are now widely diffused also among households and individuals. Still, usage rates and online activities significantly vary across OECD countries and among social groups.

Data availability for specific indicators depends on surveys undertaken on a multi-year or occasional basis in some countries, and annually in others (EU28). Data collection practices also differ: ICT usage is not always monitored by means of a dedicated survey.

The OECD is actively engaged in work to facilitate the collection of comparable information in this field through its Model Survey on ICT Access and Usage by Households and Individuals and by Businesses. It also encourages the co-ordinated collection of statistics on usage – in particular – on emerging topics, such as privacy, security, children online, cloud computing or the sharing economy.

The OECD has been setting statistical standards in this area since 2008, encompassing definitions (electronic commerce transactions, content and media sector), classifications (ICT goods and services) and model surveys (ICT usage by households, individuals and businesses).

Find out more:

Uptake of ICTs and business processes, 2015
As a percentage of enterprises with ten or more persons employed

Sources: OECD, ICT Database; Eurostat, Information Society Statistics database, April 2016.
Did you know...?

Whose YouTube content are they watching? YouTube data can be used to show how much content is viewed outside the country in which it was uploaded. In 2014, 85% of the hours watched for videos uploaded by users in Japan were from users located in Japan, while in Australia and Canada only 8% of watched YouTube content was locally uploaded. On average people watch “a little bit of lots of things”. But all watching countries in 2014 spent 10% or more of their watch hours on US-uploaded content.

Internet-based statistics can be used to generate real-time experimental indicators of usage patterns with global coverage that complement official survey data based on statistical sampling.

Find out more:

Emerging and converging technologies

BIO AND NANOTECHNOLOGIES

Following its seminal work on information and communication technologies (ICTs), the OECD continued addressing the measurement of enabling technologies via its work to develop and implement a framework for biotechnology statistics. The OECD has been collecting data on biotechnology from national statistical organisations – the Key Biotechnology Indicators (KBI) – since 2001. This work has been more recently extended to nanotechnology. Since 2013, the OECD publishes an experimental collection of Key Nanotechnology Indicators (KNI) online.

Developing internationally harmonised definitions and comparable statistics on selected technology domains with a broad range of possible applications and mutual overlaps represents a challenge for statistical surveys. Having made considerable progress in capturing, through R&D surveys, how much firms dedicate to developing these technologies, a major priority is to measure in a consistent fashion how firms in all sectors use these technologies and what barriers they face in realising their full potential. Leveraging complementary data sources is also part of ongoing and planned OECD work.

The OECD approach is to draw on the contribution of its policy and statistical committees, as well as leading external experts. One aim of the newly created OECD Working Party on Biotechnology, Nanotechnology and Converging Technologies (BNCT) is to advance the statistical work on emerging technologies, e.g. by connecting measurement more closely with policy agendas.

Find out more:
KBI – http://oe.cd/kbi
KNI – http://oe.cd/kni
OECD BNCT – http://oe.cd/bnct

Biotechnology R&D in the business sector, selected countries, 2013


65%
Japan, Korea and the United States account together for over 65% of development in cutting edge technologies.
Did you know...?

Technologies emerge, develop and mature at different paces. Some technologies stabilise while others find a wide array of applications that accelerate their development.

An experimental data-mining approach called D.E.T.E.C.T.S. exploits information contained in scientific publications and patents to identify innovative activities whose intensity increases sharply (i.e. bursts), compared to previous levels and to the development of innovations in other technology fields. It also maps the time it takes for such dynamics to unfold.

Since 2005, global inventive activity has accelerated in fields related to ICTs and environment, energy and enabling technologies.

Find out more:


RESEARCHERS

People are key for the creation, diffusion and use of knowledge through science, technology and innovation. For policy makers it is important to understand the motivations and experience of individuals that have an expertise in science and technology (S&T), what drives their mobility and how their skills are being used.

To ensure relevant and robust evidence, administrative data and general social surveys need to be complemented by targeted approaches. In the light of the evidence gaps, the OECD has launched a series of initiatives in this area aimed at two key communities: doctorate holders and scientific authors.

Doctorate holders have the highest educational attainment qualifications and are specifically trained to do research. After the Blue Sky Conference of 2006, the OECD launched a project aimed at developing internationally comparable indicators on their careers and mobility: Careers of Doctorate Holders (CDH). This work has influenced the emergence of surveys targeted to postgraduates in many countries.

Find out more:
Careers of Doctorate Holders – http://oe.cd/cdh
International survey of scientific authors – http://oe.cd/issa

60%

Between 2000 and 2012, the graduation rate for doctoral students across the OECD has increased by 60%, from 1.0% to 1.6%.

Female scientific authors, 2011
Percentage of leading authors within selected countries


The OECD international survey of scientific authors (ISSA)

Through an online experimental survey, the OECD targets corresponding authors of peer-reviewed papers and collects, in a cost effective fashion, microdata of high relevance for science policy, e.g. on access to results of scientific research, gender equality or impacts of research beyond publications. A first pilot was carried out in 2015; a second study focusing on the digitalisation of science is planned for 2017.
INNOVATION STATISTICS

Most people view innovation in businesses as the process of generating new ideas and implementing them on the market. The OECD plays a key role in the development of international guidelines for surveys of business innovation – the Oslo Manual – and the design of indicators constructed with data from such surveys.

Innovation surveys attempt to capture the broad and systematic nature of innovation in firms. Most firms introducing an innovation do neither R&D nor protect their innovations through patents. The OECD/Eurostat Oslo Manual is currently undergoing its fourth revision, which is expected to be completed by end 2017. The OECD is also working on measuring innovation outside the business sectors.

In addition, the OECD carries out analytical and methodological studies of innovation data, including multi-country microdata distributed analysis. Examples of recent work include studies on the links between design and innovation and the role of public procurement.

Find out more:
Innovation indicators – http://oe.cd/inno-stats

Types of innovation in firms, selected countries, 2010-12

As a percentage of all firms

Product or process innovative firms only
Product or process and marketing and/or organisational innovations
Organisation or marketing innovative firms only

Source: OECD, based on the Eurostat Community Innovation Survey (CIS-2012) and national data sources.
Knowledge-based capital

A HUMAN CAPITAL APPROACH

Non-tangible forms of capital, such as knowledge-based capital (KBC), are increasingly the largest form of business investment. Assessing their role for economic growth and value creation for firms requires proper measurement of such assets. In the absence of internationally agreed methodologies, the OECD is working to devise comparable measures of key KBC types to provide evidence for policy making.

Experimental use of the OECD Survey of Adult Skills (PIAAC) has led to first-time estimates of industry-level investment in organisational capital and training (i.e. formal and on-the-job training, and informal learning), for both the public and private sectors.

These estimates can be used to analyse the contribution of investment in KBC to innovation and economic performance, and to investigate the role of investment in KBC for economies’ participation and positioning in global value chains.

Existing estimates of firm-specific training mainly focus on on-the-job training. OECD work suggests that by doing so, total investment in training is underestimated by about 60%. Formal training, i.e. structured training leading to the acquisition of formal certificates (e.g. MBA), represents a substantial part of firms’ investment in training but typically goes unaccounted for.

The “routine” content of occupations influences the way firms organise production across borders. Occupations are said to be “routine intensive” when the tasks undertaken follow a set of well-defined

Investment in training, 2011-12


Find out more:
Firm-specific training – http://oe.cd/stitraining
Organisational capital – http://oe.cd/stioc
rules or sequences (e.g. hand packers), whereas non-routine occupations typically entail performing more complex tasks, such as creative problem solving and decision making (e.g. managers).

Recent OECD work, based on PIAAC data, distinguishes between what workers do on their jobs and the skills with which they are endowed; from there it develops new indicators of the routine intensity of occupations. It sheds new light on the role that skills and the routine content of occupations play for industry, the labour market and trade dynamics.

Contrary to some common perceptions, offshoring does not necessarily make routine workers redundant. Especially in manufacturing, offshoring of inputs can have a positive impact on routine-intensive jobs. Also, technological innovation is found to relate positively to employment in all types of occupations.

Did you know...?
Manufacturing accounts for higher shares of workers in high-routine occupations: 41% on average, as compared to 28% in services.

The share of non-routine and low-routine-intensive workers ranged between about 22% and 56% over 2000-11. The average share of workers in high routine-intensive occupations ranged between 21% and 37%.

Find out more:
Routine jobs – http://oe.cd/routineindex
Global interdependencies

50% Inter- and intra-regional movements of intermediate goods represent about 50% of world trade in manufacturing.

TIVA DATA INFRASTRUCTURE

For over 20 years, the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation has maintained a suite of databases for industrial analyses: the STAN family. Taken together, these databases provide key inputs into the Trade in Value Added (TiVA) initiative and data infrastructure.

The STAN (Structural Analysis) database includes annual measures – from 1970 onwards – of output, value added, employment and investment that allow researchers to analyse industrial performance at a relatively detailed level of activity across OECD countries. Primarily based on national accounts statistics, estimates are made to extend series back in time and include more industry detail.

The latest set of harmonised national input-output and ICIO (Inter-Country Input-Output) tables presents current price matrices of inter-industry flows of goods and services (domestically produced and imported) for all OECD countries and 27 non-member economies, in a common format and covering the years 1995 to 2011.

BTDIxE (Bilateral Trade Database by Industry and End-Use) uses standard conversion keys to allocate official trade statistics by product to industries and end-uses (intermediate inputs, consumption and capital goods). The data are on a “gross basis”, e.g. the value of exports as recorded by customs with no account taken of any implicit value originating from imported intermediate goods.

Find out more:
STAN database – http://oe.cd/stan  
BTDIxE database – http://oe.cd/btd  
ICIO tables – http://oe.cd/i-o

China’s gross trade in intermediate and final ICT products

USD billion

Exports - intermediates  
Exports - final goods  
Imports - intermediates  
Imports - final goods

Source: OECD, Bilateral Trade Database by Industry and End-Use, April 2016.
Growth in the People’s Republic of China’s (hereafter: “China”) reported gross exports of ICT final products is similar to growth in imports of ICT intermediates (parts and components), reflecting its major role in product assembly for multinational enterprises (MNEs).

Even though foreign affiliates account for a small share of enterprises, their contribution to host countries’ activity is substantial in many countries. In 2013, in all OECD countries for which data is available, the share of foreign-controlled employment ranged from 5% to almost 40%. The importance of foreign affiliates is larger in manufacturing than in services.

**Share of national employment under control of foreign affiliates, 2013**

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Sources: OECD, “Inward activity of multinationals by industry”; Activity of Multinational Enterprises database; Eurostat, Inward FATS database, July 2016.

**Find out more:**

Global interdependencies

TRADE IN VALUE ADDED (TIVA)

Tracing the flows of value added that arise from global production provides new insights for analysing global value chains (GVCs) that are not always evident from conventional trade statistics.

The Trade in Value Added (TIVA) database developed under the OECD-WTO TIVA initiative provides indicators on the origin – both domestic and foreign – of value added embodied in exports and in final demand. The indicators are derived from the OECD’s Inter-Country Input-Output (ICIO) database, which provides estimates of the flows of goods and services between 61 countries and 34 industries from 1995 to 2011.

The infrastructure developed to produce TIVA indicators can also be used to estimate how many jobs in a country are used in production to meet final demand in other countries; and, ultimately, to derive the type of occupations that are in demand.

Find out more:
TIVA database – http://oe.cd/tiva
Work on global value chains – http://oe.cd/gvc
Trade in employment – http://oe.cd/io-emp

40%
In Germany, 40% of business sector jobs are sustained by foreign demand for German final products, up from 30% the previous decade.

Global interdependencies

Find out more:

Jobs in the business sector sustained by foreign final demand, by region of demand, 2011

As a percentage of total business sector employment

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<td>East and Southeast Asia (excl. China)</td>
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<td>NAFTA</td>
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<td>Rest of the world</td>
<td>50%</td>
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A new look at global interdependencies

Estimates of foreign value added in exports, sometimes referred to as backward linkages in GVCs, highlight the importance of imports for export performance. A significant share of foreign value added in exports originates from the same region, reflecting increasing regional integration of economies (notably the European Union or “Factory Europe”, NAFTA and “Factory Asia”).
Did you know...?

The ICIO tables can be combined with the International Energy Agency emission and energy statistics to estimate international transfers of embodied CO$_2$ emissions as well as embodied energy. This allows the development of a consumption perspective, as opposed to an exclusively production-based view of emissions.

Rather than allocating emissions to the country where they are produced, the consumption approach allocates them to the country in which the goods and services embodying the emissions are eventually consumed as final demand.

**Find out more:**

ICIO tables – [http://oe.cd/io-co2](http://oe.cd/io-co2)

The OECD area has long been a net importer of CO$_2$ emissions, i.e. OECD consumption has been significantly higher than OECD production. Since the early 2000s, China has been a notable net exporter of emissions, as its industrial base has expanded to meet worldwide demand for its output.
THE DATA INFRASTRUCTURE

The STI Micro-data Lab, a data infrastructure project of the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI), collects and links large-scale administrative and commercial micro-level datasets. These mainly relate to administrative data such as intellectual property (IP) assets, including patents, trademarks and registered designs; scientific publications; and companies’ information from private providers. These micro-data, which complement and enhance official statistics such as macro-aggregated or survey-based data, have the advantage of being granular in nature and comprehensive in time and geographical coverage.

By providing detailed information about economic agents’ behaviours and the way science and technology develop, these data help to address policy-relevant questions, such as those related to the generation and diffusion of new technologies; the different ways in which firms innovate; science-industry links; researchers’ mobility patterns; or the role of knowledge-based assets in the economic performance of firms.

The STI Micro-data Lab serves as a platform for the development of new metrics and methodologies and feeds into a large range of analyses. Experimental indicators built using this infrastructure are regularly published by the OECD, notably in the OECD Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard.

30% ICT-related patents represented 30% of the 3.4 million patents filed in 2014.

The matching algorithm

Companies and IP assignees’ names are matched using the Imalinker system, developed for the OECD by Seville-based company IDENER in 2013. Names are first harmonised using country-specific dictionaries to correct for misspellings and duplications. Sequences of token and string-metric-based matching algorithms are used to compare the harmonised names in the different datasets and assign IP rights to firms.
The STI Micro-data Lab is open to visiting researchers. Access is granted free of charge upon the submission of a formal request, and subject to the respect of confidentiality rules and to the project being of mutual interest to the OECD and the visiting fellow(s).

Specific micro-data sets are made available upon request (for instance: the OECD’s REGPAT, HAN or Patent Quality databases as well as the EC-JRC/OECD COR&DIP© database).

Did you know...?

Top players in Internet of Things, big data and quantum computing technologies, 2005-07 and 2010-12

Economies’ share of IP5 patent families


Find out more:

Scientometrics – http://oe.cd/scientometrics
IP STATISTICS

IP statistics are collected in the framework of the OECD-led IP Statistics Task Force, which gathers representatives from IP Offices worldwide and organises the annual conference IP Statistics for Decision Making.

**Patents** represent a unique and detailed source of information on inventive activity and its main features, including the technology fields covered by inventions or the geographical location of inventors.

The OECD patent data collection mostly relies on the Worldwide Patent Statistical Database (PATSTAT) maintained by the European Patent Office (EPO), which contains the bibliographic records of patent applications filed in most IP offices worldwide since the late 1970s. Data are further harmonised and refined at the OECD to enhance accuracy, coverage and granularity.

**Trademarks** represent good proxies of service innovations, as well as of product and marketing ones. The trademark datasets featured in the STI Micro-data Lab currently include records from the EU Intellectual Property Office (EU IPO), IP Australia, the Japan Patent Office (JPO), and the US Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

**Industrial design registrations** have recently been integrated in the STI Micro-data Lab to allow for the analysis of design activities and creative industries. To date, design data cover registered designs from the EU IPO, IP Australia and the JPO.

Linking IP statistics with company information allows characterising the “IP bundle”, i.e. the extent to which different types of intellectual property are used by firms.

Audio-visual related products accounted for 10% of the 65 000 registered designs in Europe in 2011-13.
Did you know...?

In the REGPAT database addresses are linked to administrative regions using string comparison algorithms based on postal codes and city names. Regionalisation is performed at territorial level 3 (TL3), covering about 5,500 regions in more than 40 countries.


Recent methodological work has exploited information contained in patent documents to construct indicators mirroring the technological and economic value of patented inventions, and their possible impact on subsequent technological developments.

Find out more:

THE IP BUNDLE OF TOP R&D PLAYERS

The joint EC-JRC/OECD report World Corporate Top R&D Investors: Innovation and IP Bundles looks at the innovative output of the top research and development (R&D) investors worldwide. The analysis encompasses the sample of the top 2000 corporate investors worldwide, published in the 2013 EU Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard, and uses patents and trademarks as proxies of innovation output. The IP portfolio of companies is obtained by means of matching IP applicants’ names to the list of the top R&D performers and their affiliates.

The report contains a wide array of statistics related to features such as the technological profile of companies, their trademark strategies, and the extent to which these two forms of IP rights are bundled to protect and appropriate the returns from investment in knowledge-based assets.

**Find out more:**

Report
- [EC-JRC/OECD COR&DIP® database](http://survey.oecd.org/ViewContent.aspx?contentID=2172)

**R&D expenditures and the IP bundle of the top R&D companies, 2012**

In 2012, the top 250 R&D corporations (worldwide) and their affiliates accounted for more than 70% of R&D and patents, and for 44% of trademarks.

**What is a trademark™?**

A trademark is a distinctive sign (e.g. a word or image) denoting goods and services produced or provided by a specific person, enterprise, or institution. It helps customers identify products or services meeting their needs and expectations in terms of e.g. nature, quality or price.
BIBLIOMETRICS AND SCIENTOMETRICS

Scientometrics – the quantitative study of science – has expanded from the bibliometric analysis of indices of peer-reviewed scientific publications to the study of several dimensions of scholarly activity, including mobility patterns using scientific authors’ affiliations.

As a user and producer of bibliometric indicators, the OECD works with leading scientometric experts to contribute to indicator development and data analysis for policy.

The Compendium of Bibliometric Science Indicators brings together a new collection of statistics depicting recent trends and the structure of scientific production across OECD countries and other major economies.

Find out more:
Scientometrics – http://oe.cd/scientometrics

International net flows of scientific authors, selected economies, 1999-2013

Note: The diamond in the figure represents the net flow of scientific authors for economies with largest inflows (>0) or outflows (<0). The breakdown into three sub-periods helps identify the timing and intensity of net flows.

Distributed micro-data analysis

OECD “DISTRIBUTED” FIRM-LEVEL PROJECTS

In recent years, the policy and research communities’ interest in harmonised cross-country micro-data has increased significantly. Significant obstacles remain, however, for access to official micro-level data from multiple countries. Thus, when cross-country studies are performed, it is generally via the formation and co-ordination of networks of national researchers, with each team having access to their respective national micro-data. International comparability is insured via the use of a commonly specified protocol and a commonly specified model.

In ongoing cross-country studies, the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation follows exactly this approach. The advantages are manifold: it puts very little burden on national statistical agencies and hence involves low running costs on their side. Importantly, it also avoids potential confidentiality issues of national micro-level statistical databases while achieving a high degree of cross-country harmonisation and comparability. Ongoing distributed micro-data analysis projects include:

- DynEmp: provides new evidence on the employment growth dynamics of start-ups and incumbents.
- MultiProd: investigates productivity patterns and the extent to which different policy frameworks can shape productivity.
- MicroBERD: measures the incidence and impact of public support for business R&D.

EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS: DYNEMP

With sluggish employment growth in most OECD countries, the central role played by start-ups and young firms in creating jobs has acquired renewed importance in the policy debate. DynEmp shows that firms five years old or younger account for a disproportionate amount of job creation. But behind aggregate figures, it is only a tiny fraction of start-ups that is responsible for new jobs, while the majority either fails in the first years of activity or remain very small.

Did you know...?

On average, firms five years old or younger account for only 21% of total employment, but are responsible for 47% of job creation.

Find out more:
MicroBERD – http://oe.cd/rdtax
THE MICRODRIVERS OF PRODUCTIVITY: MULTIPROD

By depicting the entire firm-level productivity distribution over time, the MultiProd project describes the process of creative destruction and the role of frontier firms as well as that of entry and exit for aggregate productivity growth across countries. Over 15 countries participate in the MultiProd project.

Young firms contribute disproportionally to job creation in all countries between 1998 and 2013

Share of firms younger than six years in manufacturing, construction, and non-financial business services

An example of productivity and wage dispersion in manufacturing:
evidence from Sweden, 2002-12

Divergence in labour productivity

Change in real wages in different parts of the productivity distribution of firms

Notes: Figures for Chile are preliminary. Owing to methodological differences, figures may deviate from officially published national statistics.

The top figure points to a divergence in productivity growth across different firms in the productivity distribution. The bottom figure suggests that productivity dispersion and wage dispersion at the firm level go hand in hand: wage inequality between firms with different productivity performance has increased.
Public support to innovation

R&D TAX INCENTIVES

Governments worldwide adopt various support instruments to promote business R&D. In addition to providing grants and buying R&D services (“direct” support), many also offer tax incentives. The OECD has developed a detailed database on R&D tax incentives with the latest information provided by national experts on the cost and key design features of R&D tax incentives.

OECD measurement work on other innovation policy instruments, such as public procurement, complements the body of evidence on R&D and innovation tax incentives.

Find out more:
R&D Tax Incentives – http://oe.cd/rdtax
Procurement for innovation – http://oe.cd/pub-procure-inno

USD 50 billion
In 2014, the total value of R&D tax relief was more than USD 50 billion in OECD countries and major partner economies.

Direct government funding of business R&D and tax incentives for R&D, 2014
As a percentage of GDP

Did you know...?

MicroBERD

The OECD has launched a new micro-data project based on a “distributed” approach to empirical analysis of confidential micro-data. The project investigates and models the incidence and impact of public support for business R&D in collaboration with national experts with access to R&D and public support micro-data. This approach facilitates a co-ordinated statistical analysis of the impact of tax incentive design features and their interaction with direct forms of public R&D funding by exploiting variation in support within and across countries. This project is partly funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 Programme.

Find out more:

Business R&D (BERD) intensity and government support for R&D, 2014

As a percentage of GDP

Volume of tax support to business R&D, USD million PPP, 2014

Total government support (direct and tax) to business R&D, as % of GDP

INNOVATION POLICIES DATABASE (STIP)

The international Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP) database provides a mapping of national policy mixes and governance arrangements in support of STI.

Every two years, the OECD reviews key global trends in STI policies on the basis of a policy survey. The conclusions of this review are presented in the OECD Science, Technology and Innovation Outlook and have been published every other year since 1998. Starting in 2015, the OECD and the European Commission have joined forces with a common survey and the former OECD STI Outlook policy questionnaire has become the EC/OECD International Survey on Science, Technology and Innovation Policies.

The STIP database provides thematic and country-specific access to structured qualitative and quantitative STI policy information, as well as links to official web sites and to a wealth of national reports and documents.

Find out more:
STIP database – http://oe.cd/STIP

The STIP database helps policy makers and other users find answers to issues such as:
- On what do STI governments put priority in 2016?
- How do they address the global lack of funding for innovation?
- How do they encourage small firms to integrate global value chains?
- Which countries have R&D tax incentives in place?
- What are the most recent legislative changes for open science?
- Have big STI players gone through major policy evaluation recently?
- What has been done to improve children's education in science or engineering?
- Where are OECD countries regarding their green agenda?

Did you know...?

Canada will contribute a historical USD 2.2 billion over the next five years to help developing countries tackle climate change.

Public support to innovation

98%
Taken together, countries covered in the STIP database account for an estimated 98% of global R&D.
The STIP survey addresses all STI policy areas, involving ministries and agencies with competence over domains as broad as research, innovation, education, industry, environment, labour, finance/budget, etc.

The survey maps the mix of major national STI policy initiatives and provides a broad variety of information, including programme descriptions, typologies of policy instruments, target populations, sector- or technology-orientation, budgets, and evaluation results. Information has been collected in 2012, 2014 and 2016.

The EC-OECD co-operation brings coverage to 54 countries, including OECD and EU countries and several emerging economies (i.e. Argentina, Brazil, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Peru, the Russian Federation, South Africa and Thailand).

The STIP survey and database are unique in their nature, coverage and scope.

The next release will take place end 2016.

China’s STI policy priorities: its transition to an ecologically sustainable mode of development, and facing its societal challenges in terms of food security, public health and ageing.
Growth that is driven by science, technology and innovation (STI) requires the right mix of cross-functional and multidisciplinary policy actions across such diverse areas as education, research, finance and public procurement. The challenge is to identify the policy solutions that work in a given national context.

The Innovation Policy Platform (IPP) is a joint project between the OECD and the World Bank to build a web-based, open-data interactive platform to facilitate collective learning processes around STI policy. Its goal is to provide policy makers with tailored support in analysing and developing national innovation systems.

The IPP is built around a set of modules that cover core areas of STI policy, as well as frontier topics. Content includes:

- policy analyses from the OECD, the World Bank and other relevant institutions
- case studies using written narratives and video to highlight specific experiences in tackling problems
- policy briefs to provide short evidence-based descriptions of policy instruments and topics
- country profiles with snapshots of the main indicators characterising countries’ innovation performance
- the international STI Policy database with recent mapping of the national policy mix for STI
- an interactive version of the OECD Science, Technology and Innovation Outlook, with access to its policy and country profiles, interactive benchmarking tools and the international STIP database
- quantitative indicators to support policy analysis and benchmarking. Interactive visualisation tools on the statistical platform – IPP.Stat – enable users to explore and download data.

Find out more:
http://oe.cd/IPP
http://oe.cd/IPPstat
Contact: IPP.Stat@oecd.org
Statistics in the IPP

Platforms, databases and publications

Databases

**Main Science and Technology Indicators (MSTI) database**
http://oe.cd/msti
The MSTI provides the timeliest indicators for OECD countries and other major economies on research and experimental development (R&D) personnel and expenditures, as well as patents, technology balance of payments and international trade in R&D-intensive industries. It is updated biannually.

**Research & Development Statistics (RDS) database**
http://oe.cd/rds
Based on the Frascati Manual guidelines, RDS is the most comprehensive collection of international data on R&D expenditure, government R&D budgets and personnel for OECD countries and other major economies. Data is available from 1981 onwards and is updated annually. Historical series from 1962 are also available.

**Analytical Business Enterprise Research & Development (ANBERD) database**
http://oe.cd/anberd
ANBERD analyses industrial R&D expenditure by industry, with data broken down in up to 100 manufacturing and services sectors for OECD countries and selected non-member economies from 1987 onwards. It is updated on a rolling basis.

**R&D Tax Incentives**
http://oe.cd/rdtax
This resource offers the latest indicators on R&D tax incentives as well as complementary information on their design. R&D tax incentives have become an important policy instrument to encourage firms to invest in R&D. Data is updated annually.

**Innovation indicators**
http://oe.cd/inno-stats
These indicators cover several dimensions of innovation activity in enterprises and are broken down by firm size, economic sector and R&D status of the enterprise. They are collected and updated for OECD countries and other major economies every second year.

**OECD Broadband Portal**
http://oe.cd/broadband
The portal provides access to a range of broadband-related statistics gathered by the OECD. It is updated biannually.

**ICT access and use**
http://oe.cd/hhind
Households and Individuals presents 78 presets on ICT access and use by households and individuals in OECD countries and Colombia, including computer and Internet access and usage, activities, e-commerce, e-government, ICT skills, and security and privacy. Data is presented by socio-economic variables and is updated annually.
Platforms, Databases & Publications

Businesses

Features 42 indicators on ICT access and use by businesses in OECD countries and Colombia, among which connectivity, uptake of ICT tools, e-commerce, e-government, ICT skills, and security and privacy. Data is organised by size and main industry and is updated annually.

Key Biotechnology Indicators (KBI)

Features key indicators cover everything biotechnology-related, from the number of firms to R&D expenditures, to patents etc. They are updated annually.

Key Nanotechnology Indicators (KNI)

These nanotechnology key indicators address topics such as the number of firms, R&D expenditures or patents. They are updated annually.

Intellectual Property database

Features IP rights-related micro data from several administrative sources, encompassing patents, trademarks and design-rights. It is updated twice a year.

Scientometrics

This resource offers relevant information on OECD work on scientometrics and bibliometrics that is updated on a rolling basis.

Structural Analysis (STAN) database

Features STAN database for industrial analysis allows researchers to analyse industrial performance at a relatively detailed level of activity across countries. It includes annual measures – from 1970 onwards – of output, value added, labour input and investment for deriving indicators of productivity, competitiveness and general structural change. Versions based on ISIC Rev. 3 and ISIC Rev. 4 classifications are provided.

Bilateral trade in goods by industry and end-use (BTDIxE)

Features current price values of imports and exports of goods broken down by partner countries, industrial activities and end-use categories (intermediate inputs, consumption and capital goods). Data is available for both Revisions 3 and 4 of the ISIC activity classification (1990-2015). The database is updated annually.

Inter-Country Input-Output (ICIO) database

Features ICIO tables provide estimates of inter-country, inter-industry and industry-to-final demand flows of goods and services from 1995 to 2011. It is the principal source for developing indicators to measure Trade in Value Added (TiVA).
**Trade in Value Added (TiVA) indicators**
http://oe.cd/tiva
The TiVA database provides indicators on the origin – both domestic and foreign (and by source industry) – of value added embodied in exports and in final demand. Tracing the flows of value added that arise from global production provides new insights for analysing global value chains that are not always evident from conventional trade statistics.

**CO₂ emissions embodied in international trade**
http://oe.cd/io-co2
Estimates of CO₂ embodied in international trade reveal the distribution, across economies, of final consumption of embodied CO₂ that has been emitted anywhere in the world along global production chains. Indicators are available for 1995 to 2011 and are constructed by combining ICIQ tables with IEA statistics on CO₂ emissions from fuel combustion (www.iea.org/statistics/topics/co2emissions/).

**Activity of Multinational Enterprises (AMNE) database**
http://oe.cd/amne
AMNE provides data on the activities of foreign affiliates in OECD countries (inward and outward activity of multinationals), in 17 variables broken down by country of origin (inward investment) or location (outward investment) as well as by industrial sector. It is updated annually.

**Employment Dynamics (DynEmp)**
http://oe.cd/dynemp
This harmonised micro-aggregated database on employment dynamics from confidential micro-level data (typically national business registers) covers over 20 OECD countries and partner economies. It allows users to disentangle the role of firm age and size, and the different channels of employment changes (firms’ entry, exit, growth, and shrinking). It is updated every two years.

**Micro Drivers of Aggregate Productivity (MultiProd)**
http://oe.cd/multiprod
MultiProd is a harmonised micro-aggregated database on productivity patterns from confidential micro-level data (typically national production surveys and business registers) covering over 15 OECD countries and partner economies. It allows for various decompositions of aggregate productivity level, growth and dispersion, which help understand how aggregate outcomes are affected by particular industries or groups of firms (e.g. small vs large; multinational corporations; old vs young; low vs high productivity).

**International Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP) database**
http://oe.cd/STIP
STIP maps national policies and governance arrangements in support of STI and offers qualitative and quantitative data on major national STI policy initiatives (objectives, instruments, targets, budget, evaluation etc.). It features 54 countries, including OECD countries, EU member states plus several partner economies. Available time series are 2012, 2014 and 2016 (forthcoming).
FLAGSHIP PUBLICATIONS

OECD Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard

The OECD Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard brings together internationally comparable indicators. It has become a widely used reference that combines statistical rigour with easy access and readability.

This publication is released biennially on odd years. Thematic briefs and a selection of country notes, as well as online tools to visualise indicators, are available at the STI Scoreboard website: www.oecd.org/sti/scoreboard.

All figures and underlying data can be downloaded in Excel files via the Statlinks (hyperlink to a webpage) located at the bottom of each chart. Additional data expanding the coverage of countries and time periods are available at the same links as “more” data.

The OECD STI Scoreboard identifies the emerging players in science and innovation and the leaders in new, cutting-edge technologies. It shows how jobs and demand for skills depend on demand from your trading partners, or how a country contributes to global value chains. It tells you what happened to productivity, firm dynamics and jobs during the crisis and the recovery. It reveals how ready a country is for the future – based on investments in the knowledge infrastructure such as broadband, human capital and the research system; on the extent of knowledge diffusion; on the degree to which businesses innovate and the context in which they operate; or on countries’ competitive strengths in the global economy and the use of technology in society.

The OECD STI Scoreboard is not about ranking countries or developing composite indicators. With over 200 indicators it rather monitors each country’s progress along several dimensions, which allows a differentiation on the basis of history, natural resources, industrial structure and firm heterogeneity. Its aim is also to develop novel and policy-relevant indicators, making use of new datasets and methodologies.
This review of key trends in STI includes thematic and country profiles for 54 OECD countries and partner economies. The 2016 edition of the *OECD Science, Technology and Innovation Outlook* will be more future-oriented, with a selection of megatrends, emerging technologies and a horizon scan of science systems.

The interactive version is available at: http://oe.cd/STIOutlook

The *Digital Economy Outlook* assesses how countries can seize the potential of the digital economy as a driver for innovation and inclusive growth and discusses the emerging challenges that policy makers need to address as a part of national digital strategies.

http://oe.cd/deo2015
The OECD is a multi-disciplinary inter-governmental organisation, tracing its roots back to the post-World War II Marshall Plan. Today, it comprises 35 member countries committed to democratic government and the market economy, with the major emerging economies increasingly engaged in the work. A unique forum, the OECD provides the analytical capacity and comparative data to assist governments in evaluating and exchanging policy experiences and to identify, recommend and promote cost-effective policy practices.